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Notification of Material Error or Omission In A Receipts and Expenditures Report

RE: Receipts and Expenditures Report Due July 24, 2006 (Covering the Period January 1, 2006 thru July 20, 2006)

A review of your Receipts and Expenditures Report identified above indicates the material error(s) or omission(s) <u>listed on the other side of this page</u>. Such error(s) and omission(s) must be corrected within (30) days of the date of this notice by filing an amended report.

File the amended report within thirty (30) days with:

Secretary of State 120 SW 10th Memorial Hall Topeka, KS 66612

As provided by law, a copy of this notice has been made a part of your record in the Secretary of State's Office. The intentional failure to file an amended report within thirty (30) days is a class A misdemeanor. In addition, you may not accept contributions or make expenditures following the end of the thirty (30) day period if the amended report has not been filed.

Additional information and assistance may be obtained by writing or calling this office. If after having contacted this office substantial issues remain unresolved, you may within ten (10) days of receipt of this notice request a hearing before the Commission.

Sincerely,

Executive Director

1. Schedule A (Contributions and Other Receipts) of the July 24, 2006 Report lists the following contributions being received during session.

DATE	CONTRIBUTOR	AMOUNT
5-15-06	V Consulting LLC	\$100
5-18-06	Liberty Mutual	\$2000

- K.S.A. 25-4153a states that no registered lobbyist, political committee or person, other than an individual, shall make a contribution and no legislator or candidate for the legislature shall accept a contribution from a lobbyist, political committee or person, other than an individual after January 1 and prior to sine die adjournment of the regular session of the legislature or any other time the legislature is in session. These contributions should not have been accepted and should be returned. The return of these contributions must be shown on Schedule C (Expenditures and Other Disbursements) of the October 30, 2006 Report.
- 2. The beginning balance of \$93,947.00 listed on the July 24, 2006 Report is not the same as the ending balance of \$94,397.00 indicated on the amended letter filed by the Carter campaign on June 12, 2006 for the January 10, 2006 Report. An amended cover summary page must be filed with the correct totals.
- 3. Schedule A (Contributions and Other Receipts) of the July 24, 2006 Report lists a \$2000 contribution received on 7-14-06 without a name or address for the contributor. An amended Schedule A must be filed listing the name of this contributor.
- 4. K.S.A. 25-4153 (a) (1) states, "The aggregate amount contributed to a candidate and such candidate's committee . . . shall not exceed the following: For the pair of offices of governor and lieutenant governor or for other state officers elected from the state as a whole, \$2000 for each primary election. . . and an equal amount for each general election." The Carter campaign reported receiving a \$1000 contribution on 11-16-05 from T J Rasmussen, and an additional \$2000 contribution on 7-12-06, for a total of \$3000. Both of these contributions were received during the primary election period.

Pursuant to K.S.A. 25-4153, the campaign accepted a contribution in excess of the legal limit amounting to \$1000. We would suggest that this contribution be refunded immediately. The return of this contribution should be noted on Schedule C (Expenditures and Other Disbursements) of the October 30, 2006 Receipts and Expenditures Report.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact this office.